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STAFF OF THE UTILITIES DIVISION,

Docket No. W-02258A-07-0470

COMPLAINANT,

VS.

**INTERIM MANAGER'S 30 DAY NOTICE
RESIGNING AS INTERIM MANAGER**AMERICAN REALITY & MORTGAGE CO.,
INC. DBA HACIENDA ACRES WATER
SYSTEM.

RESPONDENT.

ORIGINAL

Global Water – Santa Cruz Water Company (“Santa Cruz”)¹, is the interim manager for American Realty & Mortgage Co., Inc., d/b/a Hacienda Acres Water System (“Hacienda Acres”) appointed by Commission Staff in accordance with authority granted by the Commission in Decisions Nos. 69865, 70609 and 73233.

Santa Cruz has been working with the Maricopa Mountain Domestic Water Improvement District (“District”) since 2012 in an effort to provide a permanent solution for the Hacienda Acres residents, with the District taking over service to the Hacienda Acres customers. See Decision No. 73233 (June 20, 2012)(describing efforts to find permanent solution with the District). These efforts have also involved the Utilities Division, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, and the United States Department of Agriculture. Progress has been slow, but the end is now in sight. Based on communications with all parties and the few minor outstanding issues being addressed, Santa Cruz believes that the Maricopa Mountain Domestic Water Improvement District (“District”) will begin providing service to the Hacienda Acres customers within the next 30 days.

¹ Where the context requires, “Santa Cruz” also includes Santa Cruz Water Company, the predecessor to Global Water – Santa Cruz Water Company.

1 The Commission first authorized appointment of an interim manager for Hacienda Acres
2 in Decision No. 69865 (August 23, 2007). Santa Cruz entered into a letter agreement dated
3 August 22, 2007 with the Utilities Division to serve as the interim manager of Hacienda Acres.
4 Santa Cruz has served as the interim manager of Hacienda Acres since that time, a period of over
5 seven years. During that time, Santa Cruz has expended considerable sums to operate Hacienda
6 Acres, far exceeding the revenues collected. The costs significantly escalated in October 2011,
7 when the Hacienda Acres well failed, causing Santa Cruz to haul water for over three years.

8 As noted above, Santa Cruz is hopeful that the District will assume operations shortly. The
9 Hacienda Acres service area has already been added to the District, and extensive discussions have
10 occurred with ADEQ to enable the District to provide service through a nearby District well.
11 Additionally, Global Water continues to provide the system and the District with further direct
12 investment to ensure all necessary equipment is in a good, operable condition allowing for a
13 smooth transition.

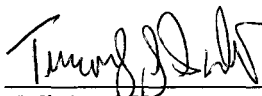
14 In any event, after over seven years of service, Santa Cruz now provides this 30 day notice
15 of resignation as interim manager. The letter agreement between Santa Cruz and the
16 Commission's Utilities Division provides that Santa Cruz "may discontinue its activities as
17 interim manager at any time and for any reason upon.... giving the Commission 30 days notice of
18 any decision to discontinue." In accordance with the terms of the letter agreement, Santa Cruz's
19 resignation takes effect on November 6, 2014.

20 Santa Cruz is hopeful that this resignation will spur the District and ADEQ to complete the
21 final efforts to assume service. Santa Cruz wishes the Hacienda Acres customers and the District
22 well as the District takes over.
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